

SB 707 (NEWMAN, SKINNER, AND WIENER) RESPONSIBLE TEXTILE RECOVERY ACT OF 2023 - SUPPORT AS AMENDED 5/24/23

We STRONGLY SUPPORT for SB 707 (Newman) to establish a comprehensive textile extended producer responsibility (EPR) program in support of the existing textile repair and collection infrastructure, and expansion of textile recycling for the following reasons:

- Textiles can absorb, tangle, and combust therefore **can't be mixed into plastic recycling** systems.
- Producers keep <u>making products with no plan</u> for end-of-life management. Industry efforts to increase textile repair and recycling have proven siloed and lacking transparency.
- <u>Consumers don't know what to do</u> with unusable textiles, so they end up in landfills, contaminating recycling, the environment, or in overburdened secondhand markets.
- Thrifts, charities, and other collectors incur high costs for receiving and sorting unusable textiles out of the resale stream. <u>Clothing collectors need support</u> to best sort for circularity and better access to repair and recycling services for textiles that are considered unusable as-is.

To address the escalating problem of textile waste, SB 707 engages producers collaboratively and equitably to create an end-of-life program for their covered products. This first-of-its kind program prioritizes repair, prevents greenwashing, and establishes global precedent for transparency and reporting for secondhand textiles.

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Scan the QR code to find the bill language, fact sheet, sponsor and coalition letters, press, and most importantly, the link to join the coalition letter of support. Join the coalition before the next hearing for real-time updates and calls to action!

Proposed Timeline:

- 2023: Pass legislation (join the coalition of support)
- 2024: CalRecycle Public Workshops
- 2025: CalRecycle Regulations via Public Hearings and appointment of Advisory Committee
- 2026: Plan writing, review, and approval
- 2027: Program Implementation

We encourage everyone to get involved.

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